

**Transportation/Land Use Task Force  
Meeting 2 – Vision and Goals  
Wednesday, June 20, 2012 @ 9:00 am  
MITW Housing Department**

**1. Welcome and Introductions.**

Mr. Boyd called the meeting to order at 11:00 am with a quorum present. MEMBERS PRESENT: Llewellyn Boyd, Chris Caldwell, Paul Cegelski, Jerry Chapman (for Wendall Waukau), Raymond Creapeau (for Norman Shawanokasic), Jeremy Johnson, Shawn Klemens, Kim Komanekin, , Gary Schuettpelez, Karen Vermillion, Richard Warrington (for S. Verna Fowler), Jerry "Gatie" Waukau, Larry Waukau, Wayne Wilber and Betty Jo Woznaik. MEMBERS ABSENT: Doug Cox, Walter Cox, Carrie Grignon, David Grignon, Mark Gruentzel, Ken Klemens, Judy Newton, Bruce Pecore, Michael Skenandore, Sandy Stankevich, Duane Waukau, Marlin Waupoose and Annette Westphal. ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Thunes (Consultant), Nick Musson (Consultant) and Carl Soderberg (representing Rep. Reid Ribble).

Task Force and ECWRPC Staff introductions were made.

**2. Review of Vision Sessions (Task Force and Public Vision Session).**

Mr. Musson referred Task Force members to the three Vision Session documents (Transportation/Land Use Task Force Vision Session, April 26, 2012; Community Vision Session. May 29, 2012; and the Summary of Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin S.W.O.T. Analysis) that were sent via email. Task Force members' attention was directed to the summary document. Under "Strengths", overall the "Environment" received the highest number of votes (17), followed by "Land Use" (8) and "Transportation" (5). Under "Weaknesses", overall "Government" (12) received the highest number of votes, followed by "Other" (11), "Environment" (6) and "Economic Development" (6). Under "Opportunities", overall "Government" overwhelmingly received the most votes (21), followed by "Economic Development" (9), "Environment" (5), "Community Facilities" (5) and "Other" (5). Finally, under "Threats", overall "Other" garnered the largest number of votes (11), followed by "Economic Development" (10) and "Government" (9).

One of the Task Force members asked about attendance at the community vision session that was held on April 26<sup>th</sup>. It was stated that seven people attended the vision session and that the majority were Task Force members. The exception was Mr. Pulaski from the Shawano Leader and Mr. Soderberg, representative Reid Riddle's representative. The lack of community involvement was raised. It was mentioned that this meeting was noticed on the Tribal Website, on the radio, at various location around the reservation, in the newspapers and on "Facebook". It was suggested that in the future, information be distributed at scheduled meetings in the unincorporated communities. It was also mentioned that the first newsletter has been developed and can be distributed at these meetings.

### **3. Long-Range Transportation Plan and Land Use Plan Updates.**

Mr. Musson provided an update on the Long-Range Transportation Plan. He noted that he is working on the environmental mitigation and justice chapters. He also noted that he has been working with Shawn Klemens of MITW transit to identify proposed fixed transit routes and bus stop locations.

Mr. Klemens mentioned that the transit data was looking good, and that overall the plan should be a good thing for the Tribe.

Ms. Thunes provided an update on the Land Use Plan. She mentioned that draft chapters for the Economic Development and Housing chapters were completed and distributed to Task Force members today. Additionally, draft maps for the Environmental and Land Use chapters were also handed out. She is currently working on the Environmental Chapter and will be soliciting input from Tribal Department heads for the Community Facilities Chapter within the next month. It is her intention to meet with local economic development professionals to get input on the Economic Development Chapter and corresponding vision, goals, objectives and recommendations prior to the next task force meeting. A meeting will also be set up with Ms. Wozniak to discuss the Housing Chapter.

### **4. Long-Range Transportation Plan Vision and Goals Review.**

Mr. Musson directed everyone's attention to the Vision, Goals and Objectives handout that had been developed for the Long-Range Transportation Plan. It was suggested that "coordination" be added to the vision statement. Mr. Musson then reviewed the 10 draft goals that had been proposed. Minor edits were suggested by Task Force members. Finally Mr. Musson asked people to look at the identified objectives. A number of comments were made and suggestions offered that Mr. Musson will address. Questions/concerns raised by Task Force members included: ATV use/safety, requirements for stopping behind public buses (not school buses), providing safe locations/bus stops for buses to pull off the road to load and unload passengers, and verbally abusive bus patrons. A question was also raised as to if, if something is being planned for, should that be identified as a goal, objective or strategy.

### **5. Land Use Plan Vision and Goals Review.**

Ms. Thunes asked everyone to focus their attention on the draft Vision and goals handout. She reviewed the draft vision statements for Economic Development, Housing, Environment, Community Facilities, Land Use and overall. Minor suggestions were recommended for the Overall, Housing, Environment and Land Use vision statements which Ms. Thunes will address for the next meeting of the task force.

Ms. Thunes then directed everyone's attention to the draft goals and supporting statements. It was suggested that the focus of the economic development element should be in attracting businesses that can be locally sustained. While it is wishful to bring service based businesses onto the reservation, if the population base cannot support these businesses, then residents should go elsewhere for these services. It was mentioned that Wolf River

Ranch was purchased in the 1980's to provide centrally located land for housing, businesses and services. However, currently about 75 homes exist and very limited development in the Middle Village area occurred. Ms. Thunes requested guidance on the Environment component and stated that while the final goals, objectives and recommendations that are identified in the Land Use Plan will be determined by the Tribe, it is her intention to build upon and supplement the information contained in the Tribe's Strategic Plan. The USGS is currently preparing a groundwater report for the reservation that will provide information on the groundwater flow. This report will be completed in September, 2013.

The aging electrical system that was identified in Neopit during the vision process is currently being addressed. A question was raised about the need to address this issue in the plan, when correction of the problem is already being worked on. At one time a municipal public sewer system was proposed in the Legend Lake area. A feasibility study was complete, but no one knew who had done the study and where a copy may be obtained. The location of the feasibility study will be explored further by members of the task force.

Ms. Thunes will make the revisions to the vision statements and goals that were suggested by the committee. She will also try to obtain additional input on the economic development and housing sections prior to the next task force meeting.

## **6. Next Steps**

### **a. Long-Range Transportation Plan.**

- i. Work with Shawn Klemens of MITW transit to identify proposed fixed transit routes and bus stop locations.
- ii. Revise vision statement, goals and objectives per today's meeting. Begin to identify strategies.

### **b. Land Use Plan.**

- i. Set up a meeting with Economic Development professionals to discuss the Economic Development Chapter and proposed goals, objectives and recommendations.
- ii. Set up a meeting with the Housing Department to discuss the Housing Chapter and proposed goals, objectives and recommendations.
- iii. Complete the draft Economic Development Chapter.
- iv. Set up meetings with department heads to obtain information for the Community Facilities Chapter. Complete the draft Community Facilities Chapter.
- v. Revise vision statements and goals. Formulate objectives based on input from today's meeting as well as input from meetings scheduled with others. Begin to identify recommendations.

### **c. Set Date for Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Task Force is scheduled for 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on Wednesday, August 15, 2012 at the Housing Department Offices'.

**7. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectively submitted by,

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